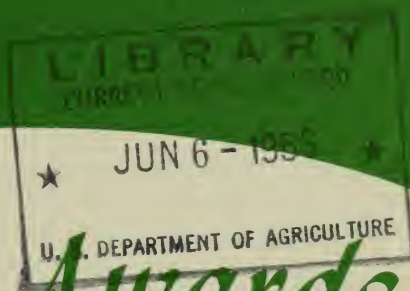


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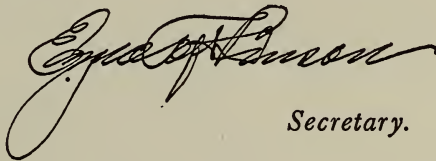
Service to our fellowmen is a source of great satisfaction. This satisfaction compensates for long hours of work, patient waiting and sometimes tedious effort. It is an earned satisfaction. And it explains, in part at least, the dedication to service which is so characteristic of so many Department employees.

In singling out individuals and units for the *Distinguished Service Award* and the *Superior Service Award*, we are but recognizing this devotion to service. Back of each person and unit to be so awarded has been the support of fellow workers. While the citations do recognize the outstanding service and impressive accomplishment of each, they at the same time honor all faithful employees of the Department.

In each instance, too, it should be noted that such service has added to the total of our knowledge and improved our store of understanding to the end that all men will benefit in some measure. Attaining the distinction recognized here today, these men and women have lifted their fellows with them. Their honor has not come with the failure of someone else, as is too often the case in some fields of endeavor.

In making the William A. Jump Memorial Foundation Award today, we are reminded of his appraisal of our work. He said:

"Public service is an honor and a privilege. It requires the fullest measure of personal integrity and devotion. There can be no greater satisfaction than service in the Government of free men."

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. A. Brown". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "E".

Secretary.

Program

*Music Headquarters Command Band
Bolling Air Force Base
Capt. Harold L. Copenhaver, Conductor*

*Invocation Rev. Bernard Braskamp
Chaplain, House of Representatives*

*Introductions Ralph S. Roberts
Administrative Assistant Secretary*

*Address Hon. Howard Pyle
Administrative Assistant to the President*

*Presentation of the William A. Jump Award
Daniel W. Bell
Member, Board of Trustees*

*Presentation of Length of Service Awards
Ezra Taft Benson
Secretary of Agriculture*

*Music Headquarters Command Band
Bolling Air Force Base*

*Presentation of Honor Awards . . . Ezra Taft Benson
Secretary of Agriculture*

SUPERIOR SERVICE AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

*The Star-Spangled Banner
Headquarters Command Band
Bolling Air Force Base*



Distinguished Service Award Committee

ROBERT R. COKER, *President*, Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company,
Hartsville, S. C.

EARL M. HUGHES, *Administrator*, Commodity Stabilization
Service.

JAMES A. McCONNELL, *Professor*, Cornell University, Ithaca,
N. Y.

RALPH S. ROBERTS, *Administrative Assistant Secretary*.

CHARLES N. SHEPARDSON, *Member*, Federal Reserve Board of
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RICHARD E. McARDLE, *Chief*, Forest Service.

WALTER McKAY, *State Director*, Farmers Home Administration,
Dallas, Tex.

FREDERICK V. WAUGH, *Director*, Agricultural Economics Divi-
sion, Agricultural Marketing Service.

PERCY A. WELLS, *Chief*, Eastern Utilization Research Branch,
Agricultural Research Service, Wyndmoor, Pa.

GLADWIN E. YOUNG, *Deputy Administrator*, Soil Conservation
Service.

MACHENRY SCHAFER, *Director of Personnel*.

Distinguished Service Awards

LYLE T. ALEXANDER, SCS; BELTSVILLE, MD.

For successfully using soil science and related sciences to advance human understanding of soil formation, behavior, and use, and of the effects of radioactive materials on soils and plants.

MERTON R. CLARKSON, ARS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For outstanding skill in public administration and for solving difficult problems incident to the protection of the livestock industry from foot-and-mouth and other animal diseases of foreign introduction.

ELWOOD L. DEMMON, FS; ASHEVILLE, N. C.

For his success in furthering forest research, in stimulating public thinking toward wiser use of forest land and water resource, and in helping shape national and regional forest policies.

CLARENCE M. FERGUSON, FES; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For strengthening cooperative extension relations with land-grant colleges and promoting effective agricultural programs and extension work with farm people.

JAMES B. HASSELMAN, CSS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For attaining national recognition in the field of agricultural information through his skill in utilizing improved information techniques.

SYLVESTER R. SMITH, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his contribution to the Nation's fruit and vegetable industry by developing, organizing and administering the Department's marketing service, regulatory and action programs to obtain maximum benefits.

PERCY A. WELLS, ARS; WYNDMOOR, PA.

For sustained outstanding performance as a director and coordinator of scientific research and for stimulating leadership that has resulted in substantially increased utilization of agricultural commodities.



Superior Service Awards

ALTA C. ALEXANDER, AMS; SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

For organizing and carrying through the 1954 and 1955 Idaho School Lunch Workshop Program resulting in marked improvement in the quality of school lunches in that and other Western States.

WALDO C. AULT, ARS; WYNDMOOR, PA.

For his contributions in leading research in the chemistry of fats which have resulted in major scientific advances and in increased utilization, thus aiding American agriculture and the national welfare.

HELEN AUTH, FHA; LINCOLN, NEBR.

For exceptional ability in work organization, outstanding knowledge and interpretation of procedure and for meritorious performance of high quality work.

FORBES E. BAILEY, AMS; YAKIMA, WASH.

For his ability to consistently and effectively carry out varied and complex inspection assignments, and to successfully cooperate with fruit and vegetable groups in the State of Washington.

HENRY M. BAIN, FCS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For contributions which have led to increased effectiveness in the operations of farmer cooperatives handling rice, dry beans, peas, tobacco, and honey.

JESSE M. BARBRE, FES; HOLDENVILLE, OKLA.

For assisting farm families and young people to realize greater security and better living through widespread use of better production, management, and conservation practices on the land.

LEO BARNELL, FES; BENKELMAN, NEBR.

For developing crop certification and community educational and recreational programs, thereby increasing farm income, improving the general farm economy, and making farm family living more attractive.

CARL R. BARR, FS; PARSONS, W. VA.

For his initiative and effectiveness particularly in the research program of forest and watershed management.

ANNETTE A. BARRICELLI, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For meritorious performance in maintaining agency accounts, and for developing and putting into effect new techniques resulting in improved methods of financial reporting.

GLEN T. BARTON, ARS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For designing and developing measures of changes in farm output, in interpreting past and prospective changes in farm output, and in analyzing contributing factors and policy implications.

THOMAS F. BECK, AMS; NEW YORK, N. Y.

For discharging his telegraphic communication duties in a highly efficient manner which has been of invaluable service to the departmental marketing service function at New York City.

SHERWOOD O. BERG, FAS; COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

For initiative in arranging for and assisting in conducting a series of meetings with farm leaders throughout Denmark to promote better understanding of United States farm policies.

WILLIAM W. BERGOFFEN, FS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his work in the production of department radio platters, motion pictures, TV shorts, and exhibits.

ELIZABETH R. BLACKMON, FHA; MONTGOMERY, ALA.

For distinctive performance of her assigned duties and for her unusual initiative, resourcefulness, and willingness in assisting other members of the State Office.

H. L. BLAISDELL, ARS; GREENFIELD, MASS.

For exceptional contributions in the field of forest insect pest control through leadership in the development and direction of effective procedures for controlling the gypsy moth.

FANNIE MAE BOONE, FES; LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

For her success in working with rural colored families, in improving family living conditions and making home life more satisfying in Arkansas.

STEPHEN J. BOOTH, FS; SANTA BARBARA, CALIF.

For his effectiveness in his regular duties and as a key member of the Forest's fire-fighting organization.

JOHN K. BROWNELL, FS; ONTONAGON, MICH.

For the administration of his ranger district and for developing markets for low-grade forest products otherwise wasted.

WALTER J. BUCKHORN, FS; PORTLAND, OREG.

For vision and leadership in pioneering and developing forest-insect aerial surveys in the States of Oregon and Washington.

ROBERT R. CALHOUN, JR., ARS; WYNDMOOR, PA.

For developing new or expanded uses for agricultural commodities through the design and construction of new and improved scientific instruments and research equipment.

JOSEPH EDWARD CARRIGAN, FES; BURLINGTON, VT.

For his unusually successful administration of the Vermont Extension Service in its broad program to achieve a better life for Vermonters; and helping to guide national extension agricultural policies to benefit all America.

EDITH KATHERINE CASH, ARS; BELTSVILLE, MD.

For establishing and developing a worldwide index to fungus names used internationally as a basis for nomenclatorial decisions; and for research on fungi important to agriculture.

ROBERT S. CLOUGH, FES; COLUMBIA, MO.

For creative leadership in guiding and promoting a community type 4-H Club program that has strengthened rural community life in addition to developing rural youth.

ASTON W. COLE, FHA; LAMPASAS, TEX.

For leadership and initiative in influencing FHA borrowers to adopt farm programs more suitable to the area which has been primarily responsible for the remarkably improved farming and living conditions of the agricultural people.

MERLE D. COLLINS, FES; MARYSVILLE, CALIF.

For his notable contributions to the development of rural people in their efforts to solve social and economic problems by using research results.

DOROTHY Y. COOK, FHA; CANTON, MISS.

For handling the numerous administrative duties of the Farmers Home Administration county office in such a manner as to enable her supervisors to devote their time to broader farm management activities.

NINA MAE COWLEY, AMS; CHICAGO, ILL.

For a significant contribution to improved and expanded markets for agricultural commodities in Tennessee, and for promoting and using U. S. Grade Standards for processed food products.

JOSEPH N. CRISLER, ARS; MATAMOROS, TAMPS., MEXICO

For his success in securing cooperation of Mexican authorities in suppression of pink-bollworm infestation in north-eastern Mexico to protect the United States cotton crop from that insect.



GEORGE B. CRISP, AMS; HARLINGEN, TEX.

For demonstrating unusual ability in conducting a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Inspection Service in Texas under extremely difficult circumstances, resulting in great benefits to the industry and credit to the Department.

VERNA M. CRISS, FES; READING, PA.

For promoting an outstanding foods preservation program; providing leadership to bring books to farm folk; pioneering in the dissemination of homemaking news by radio, and for giving new impetus to training for Extension education.

ROBERT B. CROCKER, ASC; IOWA PARK, TEX.

For his initiative, leadership, and cooperativeness with other farm agencies which has been responsible for improved agricultural production and soil and water conservation in the northwest Texas area.

REX F. DALY, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his notable contribution to the Outlook service work of the Department, and for important research on the long-term prospects for American agriculture.

WAYNE V. DEXTER, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For extraordinary initiative and skill in presenting economic outlook information simply and accurately for the use of farmers and others.

FERDINAND F. DICKE, ARS; ANKENY, IOWA

For planning and conducting research contributing to the development of insect resistance in corn now being used in the Corn Improvement Program.

WILLIAM H. DUGGAN, CSS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For vision and leadership in developing and executing a nationwide compliance and investigation program predicated upon principles of integrity and fairness which has achieved highly beneficial results and earned widespread esteem.

BYRON DYER, FES; STATESBORO, GA.

For encouraging farmers to cooperatively plan agricultural programs, then to use improved practices in executing the programs with the result that the agriculture of Bulloch County, Ga., is unusually effective.

HERBERT J. DUTTON, ARS; PEORIA, ILL.

For pioneering development of experimental techniques for chemical research and for advances in our knowledge of lipids resulting in meritorious contributions to the science and use of agricultural products.

FRANK R. ELLIS, CSS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For developing and obtaining acceptance of a plan for using gains from one crop year pool, in connection with tobacco benefits, to cover losses of another crop year, which will result in substantial benefits to the Government.

CLIFTON L. ETTER, SCS; LAMAR, COLO.

For extraordinary skill in the solution of sand dune and other severe wind erosion problems of the Great Plains pointing the way toward establishing a more permanent and productive agriculture in that region.

ROBERT W. EVE, FHA; TIFTON, GA.

For meritorious execution of duties establishing a commendable record in administering a highly effective supervised agricultural credit program.

JOSEPH P. FINDLAY, PERS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For exemplary work in administering the position classification and wage administration programs of the Department; for valuable contributions to the general program of the Department through effective execution of special assignments in the field of public administration.

HELEN FRANCIS, FAS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For her success in writing concise, highly readable technical material on the world production of several agricultural commodities, and for her ability to produce accurate work while constantly meeting deadlines.

ARTHUR GIESER, ARS; BELTSVILLE, MD.

For unusual diligence and effectiveness in improving safety and performance in aerial spraying, thus contributing to the protection and management of our mountainous forests and rangelands.

BLANCHE GOAD, FES; STATE COLLEGE, MISS.

For organizing, expanding, and improving many phases of 4-H Club work, thus helping thousands of girls and boys develop traits of character and leadership that make them better citizens.

ANA M. GOMEZ, FAS; MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

For her contribution to the excellent cooperative relationships existing between the Mexican and United States Governments on agricultural problems.

HARRY D. GRACE, FS; PASADENA, CALIF.

For his effective work and contributions in the field of wild-land fire control.

IRVING GRANEK, ARS; HICKSVILLE, N. Y.

For his contribution to the science of nematology by discovering a method of distinguishing the golden nematode from the tobacco cyst nematode, thus alleviating a complicated and costly regulatory problem.

J. RICHARD GRANT, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his competence and excellent judgment in administering, for the Department, the provisions of the Federal Reports Act and as liaison officer between the Department and the Office of Statistical Standards in the Bureau of the Budget.

MAUDE T. GRAY, FHA; DALLAS, TEX.

For her contribution to the personnel management activity of the Texas State office through her unusual ability to accurately interpret and apply personnel regulations in the processing of a wide variety of personnel actions.

WILLIAM F. GREENAWALT, FES; DOYLESTOWN, PA.

For farsighted judgment in setting up the first cooperative egg auction in Pennsylvania, establishing new methods for selling fresh vegetables, and for organizing the first community 4-H Clubs.

ENA R. HANSSEN, FHA; DENVER, COLO.

For exercising unusual initiative in devising training outlines which she has effectively used in training a large number of employees in office management duties.

EDGAR E. HARTWIG, ARS; STONEVILLE, MISS.

For research leading to the development of superior soybean varieties and cultural practices in the Southeastern United States.

INA L. HAWES, LIB; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For her resourcefulness and skill in developing the Indexes to the Literature of American Economic Entomology, and for other outstanding bibliographical contributions.

DONALD G. HAY, AMS; CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

For exceptional skill and meritorious service in designing and carrying out studies which have stimulated needed improvements in programs for providing health services to rural people.

HORACE E. HEDGES, FS; OGDEN, UTAH

For establishing an effective safety and training program for the Intermountain Region of the Forest Service.

LOUIS F. HERRMANN, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For developing and conducting a study of the impact of sanitary requirements and economic controls imposed by Federal, State, and local governments on prices, supplies, and consumption of milk.

JOHN G. HIEBER, REA; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For expert analysis and handling of complex operating problems of rural electric transmission systems, and his contributions to the development of a Transmission Line Manual.

HAYWARD L. HINZMAN, FHA; LEWISBURG, W. VA.

For effectively planning and supervising the Farmers Home Administration program which has resulted in successful farming operations and improved the welfare of farm families in his area.

ANN L. HOFFELMEYER, REA; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For establishing an outstanding work performance record, and for initiating and developing simplified procedures for compiling basic data required in support of applications for rural telephone loans.

JOHN W. HOLLAND, FES; SHELBYVILLE, KY.

For his success in inspiring farm people to assume leadership in their county, and for assisting them to achieve a better standard of living.

LIONEL C. HOLM, CSS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his invaluable counsel to Commodity Stabilization Service officials in the development and operations of CSS programs particularly in providing necessary continuity of operations during changes in policies and administrative leadership.

TURNER H. HOPPER, ARS; NEW ORLEANS, LA.

For leadership in organizing and directing specialized chemical and physical research leading to new and extended uses of Southern farm crops.

FRED A. HOYLAND, P & O; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For conceiving and designing a plan for the remodeling of the USDA post office in Washington, which materially accelerated the handling of official mail and reduced the amount of manual labor required to be expended.

EDWIN RUSSELL JACKMAN, FES; CORVALLIS, OREG.

For his success in promoting Oregon's widespread adoption of grassland agriculture and for leadership in developing the State's multimillion dollar seed industry.

VALDEMAR A. JOHNSON, ARS; WHITE HORSE, N. J.

For securing public compliance with plant quarantine requirements; and for developing safe, effective control techniques and low-cost methods of quarantine certification in the Federal-State Japanese beetle regulatory control program.

WALLACE M. JOHNSON, FS; LARAMIE, WYO.

For his effectiveness in demonstrating and getting results of range management research into practice.

LAURENCE S. JONES, ARS; RIVERSIDE, CALIF.

In cooperation with Norton S. Wilson, for research that has shown that the destructive mosaic virus disease of peach is transmitted by a microscopic mite which will facilitate the development of practical control measures.

JAY C. KELLER, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For initiating and developing techniques which have improved Market News operations, and for general excellence in handling the operations of the Market Reports Section.

HERBERT C. KRIESEL, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his contributions to the understanding of economic implications of alternative methods of controlling milk production and supporting prices to dairy farmers; and improvement of economic analysis and outlook work in the dairy field.

ANGIE Z. KYLE, FHA; CLEVELAND, TENN.

For her unusually effective relations with the general public and her superior method of dealing with applicants and borrowers which has been of invaluable assistance to supervisors.

ANNA BELLE LACEY, FHA; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For establishing an exemplary work performance record because of her thorough knowledge of instructional and regulatory materials, her alertness to changes, and unusual judgment in handling priority assignments.

ROBERT A. LAMAR, FES; CHICKASHA, OKLA.

For his success in encouraging farm families to adopt balanced farm practices, and to adapt them to conditions of markets, soils, and climate to provide increased farm returns and greater family satisfactions.

GUY H. LEACH, FHA; WINONA, MISS.

For exceptional adaptability in effecting substantial program improvements under difficult conditions in a number of widely varying agricultural areas of the State.

LIVIO LEFEBRE-ALVARADO, FES; RIO PIEDRAS, P. R.

For his success in assisting rural families adopt better and more productive farming practices, thereby greatly increasing family income, improving family living conditions, and providing greater security on the land.

JOSEPH P. LOFTUS, B & F; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For exemplary performance and outstanding accomplishments over a period of many years in the field of administrative management engineering, planning, and analysis.

ANNIE L. LOHR, ARS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For planning and preparing a book, "Plant Diseases in Color," illustrating the symptomology of plant diseases, for use as an in-service training tool for plant quarantine inspectors.

BLANCHE M. MACURNIS, ASC; GREENFIELD, MASS.

For consistent outstanding work performance, dependability, and efficiency, resulting in a saving to the Government and prompt service to farmers.

GENEVIEVE E. MALONEY, FHA; HUTCHINSON, KANS.

For her contribution in promoting better public understanding of the Farmers Home Administration program; for assistance in effective program administration; and for meritorious execution of all duties of her position.

IRA J. MASON, FS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For developing Forest Service policy and procedure in the sale and management of national-forest timber.

CHARLES L. MEHLTRETTER, ARS; PEORIA, ILL.

For his contributions to agricultural research by the chemical conversion of cereal grain carbohydrates to new products significant in theoretical chemistry and to improved utilization of grains.

WILLIAM H. MEYERS, ARS; PEORIA, ILL.

For his unusual skill, initiative, and drive in planning, scheduling, and supervising the outstanding maintenance of buildings and grounds at the Northern Utilization Research Branch.

CLYDE C. MILLER, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For his exemplary record and meritorious contribution to the effective administration of marketing agreement programs for fruits and vegetables.

MILDRED M. MOLER, FS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For her effectiveness in performing and supervising the machine tabulation work of the Forest Service Washington Office.

DOROTHY G. MONTGOMERY, FHA; DENVER, COLO.

For her invaluable assistance and unusual performance as personnel officer for five Farmers Home Administration State Directors, and as executive secretary for a USDA Board of Civil Service Examiners.

RUEL I. MORRIS, JR., FHA; GREENSBORO, GA.

For meritorious service under unusually difficult circumstances in assisting families to become successfully established on their farms, and in achieving the State's best repayment record.

AURELIUS W. MURRAH, FHA; BAY MINETTE, ALA.

For meritorious service to farm families of Baldwin and Mobile Counties in meeting their credit needs, improving standards of living and carrying out objectives of the Farmers Home Administration.

HERMAN F. MYATT, FHA; KAUFMAN, TEX.

For his success in influencing improvement in farming practices and developing new farming enterprises which has greatly increased the economic status of Agriculture in Kaufman County.

ESTELLE NASON, FES; ORONO, MAINE.

For organizing 450 women's groups in the State of Maine to feed large groups of people in emergencies, and for her success in formulating and spearheading home demonstration work.

CATHERINE A. NAWN, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For demonstrating unusual ability and initiative in the development and conduct of consumer education programs relating to meat.

PATRICK M. O'LEARY, FAS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For vision and leadership in the development and implementation of surplus disposal programs and for an exemplary record of outstanding service in the administration of these programs.

VIRGIL OVERHOLT, FES; COLUMBUS, OHIO

For his contribution to the present effective soil and water management program in the State of Ohio.

FORREST V. OWEN, ARS; SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

For fundamental research in genetics of sugar beets leading to utilization of male sterility in producing hybrids, incorporation of monogerm into commercial varieties, and breeding improved disease-resistant varieties.

ROBERT D. PARTRIDGE, REA; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For planning and analyzing REA programs to meet the needs of American farmers for electric and telephone service, and for unusual success in coordinating the REA programs with those of other agencies.

FOSTER M. PATTON, SCS; CULLMAN, ALA.

For his unusually effective leadership and training of the Cullman Work Unit personnel which resulted in outstanding work performance.

**ROBERT H. PEEBLES*, ARS; SACATON, ARIZ.

For leadership in the field of cotton agronomy in Arizona, for notable accomplishments in the breeding of American-Egyptian cottons, and for his contributions to the maintenance of this industry in the United States.

EUGENE J. PETERSON, SCS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For achieving a high degree of cooperation and support of line and staff officials in the development of an effective system of inter-State training centers in the Soil Conservation Service.

JAMES D. PREWIT, FES; COLLEGE STATION, TEX.

For his vision and persistent effort in devising and carrying out programs for improving Texas agriculture and rural life; and for exceptional leadership in extension supervision and administration.

*Deceased April 1956

PAUL LEE PUTNAM, FES; STORRS, CONN.

For leadership in developing a farm management program which aids farmers in solving the complex problems of a changing agriculture; and for his excellent administration of a farm labor program.

GLEN B. RAMSEY, AMS; CHICAGO, ILL.

For important research on the control of market diseases of fresh fruits and vegetables that has contributed to reduced spoilage and better quality food for the consumer.

HERLIN T. REGER, FHA; MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

For his initiative and resourcefulness which were instrumental in maintaining the Farmers Home Program in West Virginia on an efficient basis during adjustments in the position of State Director.

LYMAN HOLMES RICH, FES; LOGAN, UTAH

For conceiving, developing, and assisting with a technique for mechanically processing large quantities of dairy production and breeding records which has resulted in more efficiency and economy of operations.

DOROTHY RICHARDS, FHA; FORT PAYNE, ALA.

For carrying out her duties in such a way that improved relations with borrowers resulted in a better understanding of the program and greatly improved the collection record.

RURIC C. ROARK, ARS; BELTSVILLE, MD.

For inspirational leadership and meritorious service to agriculture in developing and improving the use of chemical control methods for insect pests.

MARVIS BENSON ROBERTS, FHA; GAINESVILLE, FLA.

For improving services to applicants and borrowers in the State of Florida through his leadership, devotion to duty, recognition of basic problems, development and execution of training programs to meet needs of personnel.

PAUL K. ROWELL, FHA; MADISON, FLA.

For his ability to work with borrower-families to develop sound farm and home plans which has resulted in greatly improved farming, better living, and more security for farm families.

LOY L. SAMMET, AMS; BERKELEY, CALIF.

For his leadership in the development and application of economic and engineering research techniques to the problems of evaluating costs and efficiency of fruit and vegetable packing and processing operations.

JOHN A. SANDS, JR., AMS; NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, ILL.

For exceptional leadership, initiative, and ability in planning, directing, and carrying out an exceedingly complicated investigation under the Packers and Stockyards Act of practices affecting sheep prices in western United States.

CHARLOTTE SARGIS, AMS; CHICAGO, ILL.

For establishing an outstanding work performance record, particularly in performing the personnel clerical duties of the organizational and classification activities in the Central Administrative Area of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

ELMER L. SAUER, ARS; URBANA, ILL.

For exceptional initiative and ability in conducting, interpreting, and reporting research on the economics of soil and water conservation which influenced many farmers to adopt conservation farming practices.

CLIFFORD S. SCHOPMEYER, FS; LAKE CITY, FLA.

For his basic research and work in connection with naval stores.

HARRY A. SCHOTH, ARS; CORVALLIS, OREG.

For his contribution to the development of the grass and legume seed production industry in the Pacific Northwest, and for research resulting in the development of several improved grass and legume crop varieties.

FREDERIC R. SENTI, ARS; PEORIA, ILL.

For his research leadership and exceptional scientific attainment through the application of complex physical methods leading to improved fundamental understanding of properties and uses of constituents of agricultural commodities.

CLIFFORD SIMS, AMS; TRENTON, N. J.

For vision and extraordinary perseverance in laying the foundation for expanded and more widely useful crop and livestock reporting services in his State through Federal-State cooperation.

NETTIE SIMS, FHA; CLARENDON, TEX.

For her unusual efficiency and dependability in conducting the duties of a County Office Clerk so that borrowers are given prompt, courteous service.

DOROTHY B. SKAU, LIB; NEW ORLEANS, LA.

For her invaluable service to the scientists at the Southern Utilization Research Laboratory through her outstanding bibliographical contributions and for the excellent administration of the New Orleans Branch of the Department Library.

JOHN A. SMART, SCS; CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

For his effectiveness in developing and stimulating employees, supervisors and leaders to promote and gain enthusiastic support of the soil conservation program within the State.

CECIL T. SNOW, FHA; OSCEOLA, MO.

For his success in encouraging and guiding borrower-families to carry out good farm and home practices which not only improved the standard of living but gained outstanding farmer recognition for several borrowers.

MARY L. SUMMERS, FES; CLAYTON, MO.

For developing leadership and fostering action among homemakers that has contributed to satisfying family and community life despite a difficult transition period from rural to suburban living.

JOSEPH J. TODD, CSS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For leadership and effectiveness in the administration of the tobacco quota marketing program.

JACK H. TOWERS, INF; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For conceiving and developing a unique two-way flow of useful and timely tape recorded reports between the Department and Land Grant Colleges, for presentation to the public through coast-to-coast network radio.

J. C. TOWNSEND, JR., AMS; ORLANDO, FLA.

For developing a broad-scale agricultural statistical reporting service in Florida, embodying close teamwork between the Federal and State agencies, and industry organizations.

ROBERT E. TURNER, REA; CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

For meritorious service in the field of electric utilization by the Nation's farms, thus strengthening the potential farm production and raising farm living standards.

EDNA EARL TRUE, FHA; UNION CITY, TENN.

For exceptional ability in carrying out the duties of a County Office Clerk for the Farmers Home Administration and her contribution to the community in which she lives.

MYRON U. VAN KIRK, AMS; CARIBOU, MAINE.

For effective and efficient supervision and administration of fruit and vegetable inspection programs in the State of Maine, and for his alertness, untiring effort and sound judgment in handling inspection and marketing problems.

JOSÉ VICENTE-CHANDLER, ARS; RIO PIEDRAS, P. R.

For his foresight and leadership in recognizing critical problems and securing acceptance of research essential to the development of an improved agricultural program for the humid mountainous region of Puerto Rico.

EARL G. WELCH, FES; LEXINGTON, KY.

For leadership in developing needed agricultural engineering practices for the State of Kentucky, and in getting these practices accepted and applied by the farmers of the State.

WALTER Y. WELLS, ASC; LUBBOCK, TEX.

For establishing and broadcasting a valuable informational agricultural radio program which commands the major listening audience in 51 counties of the South Plains Area of Texas.

FRANK B. WILKINSON, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For meritorious service to agriculture through the classification of the various types and establishment of standard grades for each type of domestically grown tobacco.

NORTON S. WILSON, ARS; RIVERSIDE, CALIF.

In cooperation with Laurence S. Jones, for research that has shown that the destructive mosaic virus disease of peach is transmitted by a microscopic mite which will facilitate the development of practical control measures.

BERLEY WINTON, ARS; EAST LANSING, MICH.

For his leadership in successfully administering the Department's coordinated research program for the control of lymphomatosis, the most devastating poultry disease known, and for his outstanding contributions to improved poultry production.

IVAN D. WOOD, FES; DENVER, COLO.

For establishing an effective educational program linking farmers, research workers, agency representatives, and commercial people in a friendly, cooperative effort to conserve and wisely use irrigation water.

WILLIAM B. WOOD, FHA; ST. LOUIS, MO.

For his notable contributions in reorganizing five Finance Offices into one National Finance Office which resulted in savings of approximately \$1,000,000 during the first year of operations.

ROBERT A. WORK, SCS; PORTLAND, OREG.

For developing a water supply forecasting program in the Western States which has provided advanced information to water users on probable water supplies for irrigation and other purposes.

KATHRYN H. WYLIE, FAS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For her meritorious service to American agriculture through analysis and interpretation of the resources, production, trade and potentials of the Latin American economy.

Unit *

BEAVER CITY WORK UNIT, SCS; BEAVER CITY, NEBR.

For achieving an outstanding work performance record through consistent, well-organized and scheduled workload in the promotion, planning, and application of a conservation program in the Beaver-Sappa Soil Conservation District.

CLAY COUNTY EXTENSION TEAM, FES; HAYESVILLE, N. C.

For successfully assisting rural families in Clay County, N. C., to recognize problems and adopt more productive farming methods, thereby improving living conditions and creating a climate in which good citizenship has flourished.

COMMODITY OFFICE, CSS; DALLAS, TEX.

For substantially increasing the efficiency of the office through improved operating procedures and employee cooperation thereby effecting considerable savings to the Government and promoting better relations and service to the public.

COMMODITY OFFICE, CSS; NEW ORLEANS, LA.

In cooperation with the Oils and Peanut Division, CSS, for successful handling and disposition of large volume of cottonseed oil in an orderly manner without disrupting normal markets; minimizing losses to CCC; and developing a market for future export sales of cottonseed oil.

COTTON ACETYLATION RESEARCH GROUP, ARS; NEW ORLEANS, LA.

For opening new markets for cotton by developing partially acetylated cotton, a new textile fiber having excellent heat and rot resistance, and organizing a cooperative research program with industry resulting in commercial production.

FUNGAL AMYLASE TEAM, ARS; PEORIA, ILL.

For developing the fungal amylase process for the more economical production of ethyl alcohol from normal, and moldy or otherwise damaged grains.

*Unit awards to be made at a later date at unit headquarters

HALIFAX COUNTY OFFICE, ASC; HALIFAX, VA.

For exceptional employee cooperation, initiative, and organization resulting in sustained high production of quality work and service to farmers and for promoting better relations and understanding among farmers, farm organizations, and the public.

*INQUIRIES AND DISTRIBUTION SERVICE, INF;
WASHINGTON, D. C.*

For transmitting information about Department services and the results of its work to Members of Congress and the public with outstanding efficiency, marked initiative, and exemplary teamwork.

LONOKE, ARKANSAS, WORK UNIT, SCS; LONOKE, ARK.

For effectiveness in utilizing community leaders and organizations to assist and motivate cooperators to apply maximum amounts of conservation measures on the land.

LOVELL, WYOMING, WORK UNIT, SCS; LOVELL, WYO.

For sustained high-level production achieved through excellent work organization, initiative, teamwork, and use of numerous local resources.

MALAD, IDAHO, WORK UNIT, SCS; MALAD CITY, IDAHO

For achieving a high rate of acceptance and performance of soil and water conservation practices which has brought about significant improvement in the total agricultural economy in the Oneida Soil Conservation District.

OILS AND PEANUT DIVISION, CSS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

In cooperation with the New Orleans Commodity Office, CSS, for successful handling and disposition of large volume of cottonseed oil in an orderly manner without disrupting normal markets; minimizing losses to CCC; and developing a market for future export sales of cottonseed oil.

*OPERATIONS ANALYSIS AND RECORDS SECTION,
PLANNING DIVISION, SCS; WASHINGTON, D. C.*

For leadership in developing and installing a national records and reporting system in the Soil Conservation Service, and for superior assistance to Washington and State officers in analyzing and utilizing reports data.

PAYETTE COUNTY OFFICE, ASC; PAYETTE, IDAHO

For establishing an exemplary record of efficiency and economy in administering and carrying out county agricultural programs during fiscal year 1955 in comparison with other counties of the State.

PLANT QUARANTINE TRAINING CENTER, ARS; NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.

For developing a center and curricula for intensive training of foreign and United States plant quarantine workers for better protection against international spread of plant pests.

PRECOOKED FROZEN FOOD RESEARCH GROUP, ARS; ALBANY, CALIF.

For discovering practical means of preventing or controlling texture change defects in thickened frozen and canned foods through appropriate use of a new thickening agent, waxy-rice flour.

RESEARCH GROUP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FILTRATION-EXTRACTION PROCESS, ARS; NEW ORLEANS, LA.

For improving the extraction of oil-bearing materials through development of the widely applicable filtration-extraction process, which has contributed materially to industrial oilseed economy.

STEPHENS COUNTY OFFICE, ASC; DUNCAN, OKLA.

For exceptional performance in office management, public relations and the administration and application of farm programs for the benefit of farmers and the public in general in Stephens County, Okla.

TECHNICAL SERVICES SECTION, AMS; WASHINGTON, D. C.

For developing technical materials and guides urgently needed by State School Lunch Agencies in their programs to assist schools to serve more nutritious noonday lunches.

WHITFIELD COUNTY, GEORGIA, FES; DALTON, GA.

For effective operations which have resulted in the development of cooperative rural-urban relationships and improved farm-family living.

Length of Service Awards

Fifty or More Years of Service in Agriculture as of May 15, 1956

<i>Name</i>	<i>Official Headquarters</i>
GERSDORFF, CHARLES E. F., ARS (<i>ret.</i>)	BELTSVILLE, MD.
LOCKNANE, JAMES M., P & O	WASHINGTON, D. C.

Forty or More Years of Service in Agriculture as of May 15, 1956

<i>Name</i>	<i>Official Headquarters</i>
*ADLER, SAMUEL, ARS	KANSAS CITY, KANS.
*ATTEBERY, CLARK M., ARS	ST. LOUIS, MO.
*BALLARD, WILFRED, ARS	EXPERIMENT, GA.
*BERRY, JOHN R., FS	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
*BROOKS, JAMES F., FS	ATLANTA, GA.
*BRYAN, CHARLES L., ARS	KANSAS CITY, MO.
*CALLAWAY, COLEMAN P., ARS	SAN ANTONIO, TEX.
*CARNES, ERNEST, SCS	COLUMBIA, S. C.
*CLARK, ASHLEY, ARS	MEMPHIS, TENN.
CLAY, HAROLD J., CSS	WASHINGTON, D. C.
*COLE, ELMER H., ARS	BOSTON, MASS.
COLE, TRUMAN W., ARS	WASHINGTON, D. C.
*CONNERTON, MICHAEL K., ARS	NEW YORK, N. Y.
COTT, OTTO C., ARS	WASHINGTON, D. C.
*CRANS, MERWIN L., ARS	NAMPA, IDAHO
*DEARDORFF, CLYDE L., SCS	PORTLAND, OREG.
DIEHL, WILLIAM W., ARS	BELTSVILLE, MD.
GEARHART, CLARA M., CEA	KANSAS CITY, MO.
*GILLEN, SOLON, ARS	COLUMBUS, OHIO
*HAHN, GLENN G., FS	UPPER DARBY, PA.
ISELL, MAY L., ARS	WASHINGTON, D. C.
JONES, ARTHUR, ARS	BELTSVILLE, MD.
*KAYSER, ELMER H., ARS	CINCINNATI, OHIO
*LEDING, ALBERT R., ARS	STATE COLLEGE, N. MEX.
*MAXWELL, JACOB P., ARS	SAN DIEGO, CALIF.
McMURTREY, JAMES E., JR., ARS	BELTSVILLE, MD.
*MODRELL, IRA S., ARS	KANSAS CITY, KANS.
MORRISON, HAROLD, ARS	WASHINGTON, D. C.
MOSELEY, THOMAS W., ARS	BELTSVILLE, MD.
*NEWMAN, LEONARD E., FS	UPPER DARBY, PA.
*NOBLE, EDWARD G., ARS	BRAWLEY, CALIF.
NOLL, HENRY C., SCS	BELTSVILLE, MD.

**To be awarded at Official Headquarters*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Official Headquarters</i>
*NORD, ARTHUR G., FS	OGDEN, UTAH
*PARKER, HARRY L., ARS	PARIS, FRANCE
*PUTNAM, ROBERT M., ARS	BALTIMORE, MD.
*RABB, JESSE V., SCS	MANSFIELD, LA.
RAMSEY, GLEN B., AMS	CHICAGO, ILL.
*SCHOOLEY, RAY A., ARS	CINCINNATI, OHIO
*SCOTT, WILLIAM R., ARS	ST. LOUIS, MO.
*SIEGLINGER, JOHN B., ARS	STILLWATER, OKLA.
*STRICKLER, DON B., ARS	HOUSTON, TEX.
*STURM, ELBERT, ARS	FORT WORTH, TEX.
VAN WATERS, SHERWOOD P., ARS	BELTSVILLE, MD.
*VORNHEDER, ALBERT W., ARS	LEE'S SUMMIT, MO.
*WILLIS, HERNDON, ARS	ST. JOSEPH, MO.

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William A. Jump
Memorial Foundation Award

JEFFREY C. KITCHEN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF GREEK,
TURKISH, AND IRANIAN AFFAIRS—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

For outstanding performance and contributions to the effective planning and implementing of the executive management of programs of international scope, and for exemplary assistance to the Secretary of State.

Honorable Mention

ROBERT E. CARROLL, CIVILIAN EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, PITTS-
BURGH ORDNANCE DISTRICT, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

MERVIN K. STRICKLER, DIRECTOR OF AVIATION EDUCATION,
CIVIL AIR PATROL, DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

